

Dear USDA Senior Officials,

As a past Childcare provider and now a field monitor for a food program I see the same concerns I once had as a provider. Food Cost! Childcare is not a get rich job. Most people do home daycare because it is not financially beneficial for mom to work outside the home and pay daycare however the family needs a 2 income. I feel to help our providers we need to look at the tier rates. 1 tier for all providers. The highest tier or something in the middle. No matter how much they budget & coupons they clip food cost keep going up. For our children & their instruction we need to help them provide this

Sincerely,

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